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C O N F I D E N T I A L CAPE TOWN 515

E.O. 11652: GDS
TAGS: WA, SF, PDEV
SUBJ: NAMIBIA: SWAPO "TAKEOVER PLAN"

REF: CAPE TOWN 501

1. AT THE END OF THE CAPE TOWN FIVE'S MEETING WITH BRAND
FOURIE YESTERDAY (MARCH 14), HE GAVE EACH OF US A COPY OF THE
PURPORTED SWAPO DOCUMENT WHICH WAS GIVEN TO THE PRESS BY
PIK BOTHA LAST SUNDAY (CAPE TOWN 495 AND 499).
ALL FIVE OF US USED THE OCCASION TO PRESS FOURIE ABOUT THE
PURPOSE IN MAKING THE DOCUMENT PUBLIC AND THE UNUSUAL
HANDLING OF THE SAM NUJOMA INTERVIEW.

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2. FOURIE WAS QUITE DEFENSIVE ABOUT BOTH INCIDENTS. IN
THE CASE OF THE NUJOMA INTERVIEW, HE EXPLAINED THE DELAY
IN USING THE TAPE AND THE MANNER IN WHICH IT WAS INITIALLY
PRESENTED AS THE FAULT OF SABC WITH WHICH DFA HAS CONSTANT
PROBLEMS. THE EXPLANATION HE GAVE ON THE SWAPO DOCUMENT
WAS THAT SO MANY PEOPLE WERE AWARE OF ITS EXISTENCE THAT IT
WAS HARD TO KEEP IT OUT OF THE PUBLIC DOMAIN. NEITHER OF

THESE, OF COURSE, SATISFACTORILY ACCOUNTS FOR THE WIDE
PROPAGANDA USE MADE OF THE DOCUMENT AND INTERVIEW HERE.
FROM OUR QUESTIONS AND COMMENTS FOURIE GOT THE CLEAR
MESSAGE THAT WE DID NOT THINK THIS TYPE OF ACTIVITY IS
HELPFUL IN CREATING AN ATMOSPHERE CONDUCTIVE TO A SETTLEMENT.

3. COPY OF SWAPO DOCUMENT BEING POUCHED TO DEPT AND USUN.
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